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COUNTRY <u>East Germany</u>	REPORT	
TOPIC <u>Artillery Firing in the Glowe Area in the Northern Portion of Russian Island</u>		
EVALUATION	PLACE OBTAINED	
DATE OF CONTENT		
DATE OBTAINED	DATE PREPARED <u>20 August 1954</u>	
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REMARKS <u>This is UNEVALUATED</u>		

Between 1 and 9 July 1954, more than 100 artillery pieces were emplaced in the Glowe area. They included 152-mm field howitzers and 152-mm gun howitzers which were towed by caterpillar tractors. The artillery pieces fired at sea targets towed by tug-boats in Tromper Bucht (bay). The bay was closed off during the firing practice. At about 1900 on 6 July, there was firing from the shore of Spyker See ( ). The practice terminated with an air attack. Landing boats laid a smoke screen, while some tanks were being disembarked. The passage to Glowe was closed off during this period. On 9 July, guns and trucks were entrained at the Sagard and Bergen railroad stations.

Comment.

A landing exercise involving tanks in connection with the firing practice is reported for the first time. The observed types of guns confirm that units of the 34th Arty Div from Altengrabow and units of the 4th Gds Arty Brig participated in the exercise. The field howitzers probably were of 122-mm caliber. The motor vehicle belongs to the 2d Light Arty Brig of the Second Gds Mech Army which also participated in the exercise.

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